

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-10 (Cancelled).

Claim 11 (Currently amended): A process for producing a flattened coating which comprises:

- (a) introducing into a self-curing or radiation-curing coating system a liquid dimerdiol (meth)acrylate flattening agent in an amount effective to flat the coating system, with said dimerdiol (meth)acrylate flattening agent having a degree of esterification of at least 50%, to form a flattened coating system;
- (b) applying a coating of the flattened coating system to a substrate; and
- (c) curing the coating,
wherein said cured coating is flattened with respect to the same coating without said dimerdiol (meth)acrylate flattening agent.

Claim 12 (Previously presented): The process of claim 11, wherein, from 1% to 25% by weight of the dimerdiol (meth)acrylate is added to the coating system based on the weight of the coating system.

Claim 13 (Previously presented): The process of claim 11, wherein, the dimerdiol (meth)acrylate has a degree of esterification of at least 80%.

Claim 14 (Previously presented): The process of claim 11, wherein, the flattening agent further comprises a solid flattening agent.

Claim 15 (Previously presented): The process of claim 12, wherein, the dimerdiol (meth)acrylate has a degree of esterification of at least 80%.

Claim 16 (Previously presented): The process of claim 12, wherein the flatting agent further comprises a solid flatting agent.

Claim 17 (New): The process of claim 11 wherein said substrate is selected from the group consisting of glass, metal, wood, paper, ceramic, plastic, and combinations thereof.

Claim 18 (New): The process of claim 11 wherein said substrate comprises glass.

Claim 19 (New): A method for flatting a substrate surface comprising applying a self-curing and/or radiation-curing coating system to said substrate surface and curing, wherein said self-curing and/or radiation-curing coating system comprises a dimerdiol (meth)acrylate flatting agent having a degree of esterification of at least 50%, in an amount effective to flat the cured coating, and wherein said cured coating is flattened with respect to the same coating without said dimerdiol (meth)acrylate flatting agent.

Claim 20 (New): The process of claim 19 wherein said substrate is selected from the group consisting of glass, metal, wood, paper, ceramic, plastic, and combinations thereof.

Claim 21 (New): The process of claim 19 wherein said substrate comprises glass.